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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

The Examiner's Statement Of Reasons For Allowance, attached to the Notice of Allowance dated June 16, 2008, refers to three limitations in the claims, and states that these limitations are "in the independent claim" at paragraph 1, line 9 of the Examiner's Statement Of Reasons For Allowance.

Applicant respectfully notes that the allowed claims are independent Claim 1 and dependent Claims 2 and 3. The first

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limitation referred to in the Examiner's Statement Of Reasons For Allowance is found at the last paragraph of independent Claim 1, while the second and third limitations referred to in the Examiner's Statement Of Reasons For Allowance are found in dependent Claims 2 and 3, respectively.

Therefore, although Applicant agrees with the Examiner's Statement Of Reasons For Allowance, it should be noted that the three separate limitations referred to in the Examiner's Statement Of Reasons For Allowance are recited in Claims 1, 2, and 3, respectively, and are not all recited in independent Claim 1.

Respectfully submitted,

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